

# ATTENTION

## Recreational Fishing Tournaments

*A Recreational Fishing  
Tournament License to Sell Fish*  
is  
**REQUIRED**  
to sell fish harvested from  
a  
recreational tournament

See attached information sheet and application forms.

North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries  
PO Box 769  
Morehead City, NC 28557  
252-726-7021

## RECREATIONAL FISHING TOURNAMENT LICENSE TO SELL FISH

### Requirements

- What:** Recreational fishing tournaments that want to sell fish caught from a tournament are required to purchase a *Recreational Fishing Tournament License to Sell Fish*.
- When:** Application for a *Recreational Fishing Tournament License to Sell Fish* must be filed with a NCDMF license office 30 days prior to the start of the tournament by the Tournament Organizer.
- Where:** The *Recreational Fishing Tournament License to Sell Fish* can be purchased from any NCDMF license office.

Morehead City	Washington
Manteo	Wilmington
Elizabeth City	

The Morehead City office is the only office where applications will be accepted through the mail. Please mail applications to:

License Office  
N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries  
P.O. Box 769  
Morehead City, NC 28557  
252-726-7021, or 1-800-682-2632

- Why:** The purpose of this license is to improve the quality of data used in the management of the State's fishery resources.
- Who:** All recreational fishing tournaments in North Carolina that sell their catch.
- Cost:** The cost of the *Recreational Fishing Tournament License to Sell Fish* is \$125.00.
- Facts:** The recreational tournament can only sell fish through a licensed fish dealer (the Tournament Organizer may wish to purchase a *Fish Dealer License* to meet this requirement).

Fish plates, including free fish plates to tournament participants, from fish caught during the tournament requires the tournament organizer to purchase this license.

The fish dealer must complete a NCDMF trip ticket.

The Tournament Organizer must file a license application for this license 30 days in advance of the tournament. Organizers not filing an application 30 days in advance will not receive a license and the recreational tournament cannot sell fish.

Proceeds from the sale of fish must be used for religious, educational, civic, or conservation purposes. Proceeds are not to be used to pay for tournament expenses. The Tournament Organizer must file a *North Carolina Recreational Fishing Tournament Disposition of Proceeds from the Sale of Fish Form* within 30 days after the last day of the tournament to the NCDMF. Information on this form includes type and amount of fish sold and a contact person whose organization is benefiting from the sale of fish.

**Application Process:**

The Tournament Organizer can apply for the *Recreational Fishing Tournament License to Sell Fish* in person by coming into one of the NCDMF license offices.

The Tournament Organizer can apply through the mail to the Morehead City License office only. If applying through the mail, the applicant must complete an *Application for the Recreational Fishing Tournament License to Sell Fish*.

- Follow all instructions for the application, including required attached documentation.

**Frequently Asked Questions*****Q. – Do all fishing tournaments need the Recreational Fishing Tournament License to Sell Fish License?***

A. – No, only tournaments that plan to sell fish must have this license. Organizers of tournaments must apply 30 days before the tournament to get this license.

***Q. – Do tournaments need to report the proceeds from the sale of fish?***

A. – Yes, tournaments must report the proceeds from the sale of fish. The sale of fish must go through a licensed Fish Dealer. The proceeds from the sale of fish may be used only for charitable, religious, educational, civic, or conservation purposes and is not to be used to pay tournament expenses.

***Q. – Can vessels fishing in tournaments with a Commercial Fishing Vessel Registration and an individual with a Standard or Retired Commercial Fishing License sell their catch instead of giving it to the tournament?***

A. – No, vessels and fishermen participating in tournaments with a Recreational Fishing Tournament to Sell Fish License are not to engage in commercial fishing activities.

***Q. – Does a tournament need a Recreational Fishing Tournament License to Sell Fish if the tournament is selling fish plates from fish caught in the tournament?***

A. – Yes, the sale of fish plates, including free fish plates to participants, from fish caught during the tournament requires the tournament organizer to purchase a license. Additionally, the tournament must sell the fish through a licensed Fish Dealer (the tournament organizer may wish to purchase a Fish Dealer License to meet this requirement).



## RECREATIONAL FISHING TOURNAMENT LICENSE TO SELL FISH APPLICATION

Applications must be received by the Division of Marine Fisheries 30 days prior to the tournament date.

Applications are to be completed and signed by the Tournament Organizer. Businesses that are the tournament organizer requesting a license must have the Responsible Party (business agent) complete and sign the application. The Responsible Party (business agent) is the person who coordinates, supervises or otherwise directs operations of a business entity, such as a corporate officer or executive-level supervisor of business operations and is the person responsible for use of the issued license in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. Individuals applying for a license for another under the authority of Power of Attorney must submit a **PHOTOCOPY** of the Power of Attorney and current picture identification.

- A. Provide a **PHOTOCOPY** of one of the following non-expired picture identifications:
1. Driver's License; or
  2. State Identification (issued by DMV); or
  3. Passport; or
  4. Military Identification; or
  5. Resident Alien Card (green card)
- B. If you are applying as a business, you must provide:
1. If incorporated, **PHOTOCOPY** of Articles of Incorporation and list of current corporate holders.
  2. If written agreement partnership, **PHOTOCOPY** of written partnership agreement.
  3. If not incorporated or written partnership, **PHOTOCOPY** current Assumed Name Statements, if filed, and **PHOTOCOPY** of business privilege tax certificates, if applicable.
- C. A **Recreational Fishing Tournament License To Sell Fish** application must have the following:
1. Complete Participant Information (tournament organizer), including the Participant Identification number. This number is listed to the right of the word *Participant* # on your previous license.
  2. Tournament name (must have a tournament name) and tournament dates.
  3. Tournament location (physical address of weigh-in).
  4. List those that may receive charitable proceeds from the sale of fish from the tournament (actual recipients will be recorded after the tournament is finished on the Recreational Fishing Tournament Disposition of Proceeds from the Sale of Fish form).
  5. Sign the Application.
  6. Certification Statement Form for Licenses completed, signed and notarized.
- D. Fees:
1. \$125.00
  2. \$10.00 replacement fee for replacing or updating current/valid license.
- E. Method of payment: Cash, personal check, money order, or Cashier check. Make payable to **North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries**. There will be a \$25.00 service charge for returned checks.

- NOTE:**
- This license is only valid for the dates of the tournament up to 7 days.
  - *North Carolina Recreational Fishing Tournament Disposition of Proceeds from the Sale of Fish Form* must be returned to the Division of Marine Fisheries License Office in Morehead City within 30 days of the tournament's completion.

Incomplete applications submitted without required documentation will be deemed incomplete and returned to you unprocessed.

**Mail to:** NCDMF  
License Office  
PO Box 769  
Morehead City, NC 28557

# North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries

## Application for Recreational Fishing Tournament License to Sell Fish

Applications must be received by the Division of Marine Fisheries' License Office 30 days prior to the tournament date

Check one:

☐

New Application

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Replace

☐

Update

Circle one:

Individual (complete the Individual Participant Information)

Business Agent (complete the Business Participant Information and Individual Participant Information)

### Individual or Business Agent Participant Information

Participant I.D.		First Name		Middle Name		Last Name		Suffix	
Driver's License No.		State I.D. No.		Military I.D. No.		Resident Alien I.D. No.		Passport No.	
Expire Date / /		Expire Date / /		Expire Date / /		Expire Date / /		Expire Date / /	
Date of Birth / /		Primary Residence				Secondary Residence		E-mail Address	
Race:	Gender:	Physical Address				Mailing Address			
	M / F								
Height	Weight	Address 1: _____				Address 1: _____			
		Address 2: _____				Address 2: _____			
Eye Color	Hair Color	City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____				City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____			
		County: _____ Country: _____				County: _____ Country: _____			
Home Phone:		Business Phone:		Fax:		Cellular Phone:			
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Type of Business Entity (Circle One): Corporation Partnership Sole Proprietorship LLC Academia

### Business Participant Information (This section must be completed for the application of a license for use by a business)

Participant I.D. if available	Business Name:			State of Incorporation:		Charter State:	
Business Phone:	Cellular Phone:	Home Phone:	Fax:	E-mail Address:			
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Business Owner Name (F, M, L)	Physical Address			Mailing Address			
Business Owner Name (F, M, L)	Address 1: _____			Address 1: _____			
	Address 2: _____			Address 2: _____			
Business Owner Name (F, M, L)	City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____			City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____			
	County: _____ Country: _____			County: _____ Country: _____			
Business Owner Name (F, M, L)							

## North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries

### Application for Recreational Fishing Tournament License to Sell Fish

(Applications must be received by the Division of Marine Fisheries' License Office 30 days prior to the tournament date)

#### Tournament Information (Must have a Tournament Name)

Tournament Name	Begin Date	End Date
	____/____/____	____/____/____

#### Location of Weigh-In

Location (i.e., marina):	
Address line 1:	
Address Line 2:	

City:		State:		Zip:		County:	
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#### Intended Charitable Proceeds Recipient(s)

(Must be completed with the names of charities that may receive proceeds from the sale of fish from the tournament)

Name	Contact Number, if available
1.	(     ) ext.
2.	(     ) ext.
3.	(     ) ext.
4.	(     ) ext.
5.	(     ) ext.
6.	(     ) ext.

**North Carolina Recreational Fishing Tournament Disposition of Proceeds from the Sale of Fish Form attached to this application must be completed and submitted to the Division of Marine Fisheries License Office in Morehead City within 30 days following the completion of the tournament**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Tournament Organizer Signature

Date

**Must be signed to be valid**

**INSTRUCTIONS**  
**NORTH CAROLINA RECREATIONAL FISHING TOURNAMENT DISPOSITION**  
**OF PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF FISH FORM**

- A. The Tournament Organizer must submit the *North Carolina Recreational Fishing Tournament Disposition of Proceeds from the Sale of Fish Form* to the North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries License Office in Morehead City within 30 days of the last day of the tournament.
- B. The Tournament Organizer is to record the charitable receipts from the sale of the fish. Proceeds from the sale of fish must be used for religious, educational, civic, or conservation purposes. Proceeds are not to be used to pay for tournament expenses.
- C. The Tournament Organizer is to record the pounds of fish sold by species.
- D. The Tournament Organizer is to record the Fish Dealer Name and NCDMF Dealer Number (D-Number).
- E. The Tournament Organizer is to attach a **PHOTOCOPY** of the NCDMF Trip Ticket completed by the Fish Dealer at time of sale.
- F. Mail the form and photocopy of trip ticket to:  

**NCDMF**  
**License Office**  
**PO Box 769**  
**Morehead City, NC 28557**

## North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries

### North Carolina Recreational Fishing Tournament Disposition of Proceeds from the Sale of Fish Form

(Must be returned to the NCDMF License Office within 30 days of the tournament's completion)

Participant I.D. (printed on license)	First Name/Business Names	Middle Name	Last Name
Tournament License Number (printed on license)			

#### Tournament Information

Tournament Name	Begin Date	End Date
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#### Charitable Proceeds Recipient(s) (must be completed with names of all parties receiving proceeds from the sale of fish from the tournament)

Name	Contact Number
1)	( ) - ext.
2)	( ) - ext.
3)	( ) - ext.
4)	( ) - ext.
5)	( ) - ext.
6)	( ) - ext.

#### Species Sold

Pounds	
	Tuna
	Dolphin
	Wahoo
	King Mackerel
	Spanish Mackerel
	Weakfish

Pounds	
	Spotted Seatrout
	Summer Flounder
	Southern Flounder
	Atlantic Croaker
	Spot
	Red Drum

Pounds	
	Black Drum
	Bluefish
	Sharks
	Skates/Rays
	Cobia
	Other
	No Fish Sold

#### Dealer Fish Sold To:

Name(s)	NCDMF Dealer Number
	D-
	D-

Please attach a **PHOTOCOPY** of the Trip Ticket completed by the Fish Dealer.

Tournament Organizer Signature  
Must be signed to be valid

Date



North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries  
License or Permit Application Certification Form  
(REV 04/2021)

OFFICE USE ONLY Year \_\_\_\_\_

PID # \_\_\_\_\_

License # \_\_\_\_\_

DMF License Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

**Certification Statement (This section must be completed by Applicant)**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, certify that:

1. All the information provided on this application and any supporting documentation provided is true, accurate, and complete. And further, for renewals, any changes in information or supporting documents have been provided at the time of renewal. I understand that any false information or fraudulent disclosures may result in termination of appropriate licenses, permits and related documents, revocation or suspension of marine fisheries licensing and other privileges, and in possible criminal prosecution.
2. I am a resident of the State of: \_\_\_\_\_  
If claiming resident status in North Carolina, I certify further that (check one):  
☐ I have been a legal resident for more than six months, or  
☐ If domiciled in North Carolina between 60 days and six months, I have completed and submitted with this application a notarized Certificate of Eligibility for North Carolina Residency.
3. If applying for a Standard or Retired Standard Commercial Fishing License as a North Carolina Resident, I also certify that: (check the appropriate entry)  
☐ I filed a North Carolina State Income Tax Return for the previous calendar or tax year.  
☐ I was not required to file a North Carolina State Income Tax Return for the previous calendar or tax year.  
I understand if there are any questions regarding the filing of a North Carolina State Income Tax Return, I may have to provide appropriate tax records, as requested by the Division of Marine Fisheries.
4. For commercial fishing licenses, permits, endorsements or registrations I certify that:
  - a) I currently have no marine fisheries licenses, permits, endorsements, or registrations under suspension or revocation and the privilege to hold such licenses, permits, endorsements, or registrations is not revoked or suspended.
  - b) I have not been convicted of four or more violations in any jurisdiction related to state or federal law or regulations involving or related to marine or estuarine resources during the previous three years.
  - c) I understand that as a condition of accepting a permit from the Division of Marine Fisheries, I agree to abide by all conditions of the permit and agree, that if conditions of the permit as identified for the permit are violated, or if false information was provided in the application for initial issuance, renewal or transfer, the permit may be suspended or revoked by the Fisheries Director.
5. NC General Statute §113-221 requires the NC Division of Marine Fisheries to provide a current copy of the rules governing activities authorized by the license you are purchasing. You have the right to request a current rulebook in hardbound. The document is available on the Division of Marine Fisheries website on the "Rules and Regulations" webpage at <http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mf/rules-and-regulations>.
6. For for-hire fishing licenses and endorsements, I affirm that I have liability insurance and that I am knowledgeable of USCG safety requirements for the vessel(s) used in the operation in accordance with G.S. 113-168.6.
7. If application is for a Standard/Retired Commercial Fishing License with a Shellfish Endorsement or a Shellfish License for NC Residents I affirm that I have received the required harvester training.
8. For Ocean Fishing Pier License, linear length of the pier has not changed.
9. If applying for a Land or Sell License, I also certify that: (check the appropriate entry)  
☐ I have a commercial fishing license issued by the state of \_\_\_\_\_ (Other than North Carolina).  
☐ I have a federal permit that allows commercial fishing.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTARY (Only NEW applications must be notarized)**

State: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,

Notary Public: \_\_\_\_\_ My Commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_